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TAGS: PFOR, US, MT

SUBJECT: PARM - ANNUAL POLICY AND RESOURCE ASSESSMENT

PARTS II AND II

REF: VALLETTA 376,

A. DEPARTMENT OF STATE RESOURCES

1. VALLETTA IS A VERY SMALL EMBASSY, IN KEEPING WITH OUR LIMITED BILATERAL INTERESTS AND OUR OFFICIAL POLICY OF MAINTAINING A LOW PROFILE AND AVOIDING DIRECT INVOLVEMENT IN MALTESE PROBLEMS. PRESENT EMBASSY BUDGETARY AND PERSONNEL RESOURCES ARE ADEQUATE FOR THE ATTAINMENT OF U.S. POLICY OBJECTIVES AND FOR THE CONDUCT OF EMBASSY OPERATIONS DURING THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AND WE EXPECT THESE RESOURCES TO REMAIN ADEQUATE THROUGHOUT FISCAL YEAR 1979.

2. HOWEVER, THIS EMBASSY HAS ABSORBED SIGNIFICANT PERSONNEL REDUCTIONS OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS, AND WE NOW BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE REACHED THE LIMIT OF SUCH REDUCTIONS.

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3. RECENT PERSONNEL CHANGES HAVE INCLUDED THE ELIMINATION OF THE FOLLOWING AMERICAN POSITIONS:

1974

POLITICAL OFFICER (FSO-4)

POLITICAL SECRETARY (FSS-7)

1975

ECONOMIC SECRETARY (FSS-MC)1

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IT SULA OFFICER (FSO-6)

4. EMBASSY STAFFING IS NOW AT A MINIMUM LEVEL FOR EFFECTIVE OPEATIONS, AND WE ZELIEVE THAT ANY FURTHER REDUCTIONS WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE EMBASSY'S ABILITY TO CARRY OUT ITS RESPONSIBILITIES.

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THE NEED FOR ANY INCREASES IN PRESENT AMERICAN OR LOCAL STAFFING LEVELS OF THE EMBASSY, OR FORTHE REPROGRAMMING OF ANY OF OUR PRESENT POSITIONS.

B. OTHER AGENCY PROGRAMS AND RESOURCE LEVELS

1. THERE ARE ONLY TWO OTHER AGENCIES REPRESENTED IN MALTA, USIA AND EOD.

2. THE U.S. INFORMATION SEVICE IN VALLETTA CONSISTS OF ONE AMERICAN, THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE, AND FOUR FSL ASSISTANTS. IN 1975, USIA GAVE CONSIDERATION TO CLOSING ITS POST HERE, WHICH THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDED STRONGLY AGAINST. WE THOUGHT THEN, AND CONTINUE TO BELIEVE, THAT USIS VALLETTA PROVIDES SIGNIFIANT SUPPORT TO EMBASSY OBJECTIVES AND OPERATIONS. IF, IN THE FUTURE, USIA IS REQUIRED TO MAKE PERSONNEL OR BUDGETARY REDUCTIONS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE TO SEEK SUCH SAVINGS IN COUNTRIES WITH LARGER USIS PROGRAMS THAN MALTA.
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3. THE DEFENSE ATTACHE OFFICE IN VALLETTA CONSISTS OF THREEAMERICANS, THE DEFENSE ATTACHE AND TWOENLISTED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS, AND ONEFSL DRIVER. ONE OF THE TWO ENLISTED BILLETS WILL BE ELIMINATED UPON THE DEPARTUE OF THE PRESENT INCUMBENT IN SUMMER OF 1977. IN LATE 1976, DOD CONSIDERED CLOSING DAO VALLETTA. THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDED ON POLICY GROUNDSTHAT THE OFFICE BE KEPTOPEN PENDING ANOTHER LOOK CLOSER TO THE END OF THE SCHEDULED TOUR OF THE PRESENT DEFENSE ATTACHE IN MID-1978. DOD HAS AGREED TO THIS INTERIM ARRANGEMENT.

4. BUDETARY AND PERSONNEL RESOURCES OF USIS AND DAO ARE ADEQUATE FOR THEIR PRESENT RESPONSIBILITIES AND ARE EXPECTED TOREMAIN SO DURING FISCAL YEAR 1975.

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I. MISSION CURRENT SY-1977 STAFFING CHART

	AMERICAN	AMERICA	FSL	FSL
AGENCY/FUNCTION		OFFICERS	STAFF	POFES. STAFF
STATE				
EXECUTIVE SECTION				
1. AMBASSADOR		FSO-1		
2# DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION		FSO-2		
3. SECRETARY		FSS-5		
4. SEIETARY		FSS-6		
5. CHAUFFEUR			FSL-6	

ECONOMIC SECTION

6. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER	FSO-4
7. ECONOMIC SPECIALIST	FSL-2

CONSULAR/ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

8. CONSULAR/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER	FSO-4
9. COMMUNICATIONS RECORDS OFFICER	FSRU-6
10. SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER	SSS-6
11. CONSULAR SPECIALIST	FSL-1
12. CONSULAR SPECIALIST	FSL-3
13. BUDGET/GENERAL SERVICES SPECIALIST	FSL-1
14. BUDGET/PERSONNEL SPECIALIST	FSL-1

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15. ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT	FSL-5
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16. SUPPLY ASSISTANT	FSL-5
17. RECEPTIONIST	FSL-6
18. CHAUFFEUR	FSL-6
19. CHAUFFEU	FSL-7
20. MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	FSL-8
21. MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	SSL-8
22. MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT	FSL-8

NOTE: ALL ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS ARE CORE, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
PTSITION T. 15 (FSL-5 ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT), WHICH IS DAS.

AMERICAN	AMERICAN	FSL	FSL
AGENCY/FUNCTIT	OFICERS	STAFF	PROFES. STAFF
USIA			
AQM PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER	SSIO-3		
2. PUBLIC AFFAIRS ASSISTA T		SSL-1	
3. CULTUAL ASSISTANT		FSL-5	
4. INFORMATION ASSISTANT		FSL-6	
5. RECEPTIONIST		FSL-7	

DOD

1. DEFENSE ATTACHE	IE, USN
2. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	Y1C, USN
3. ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	Y2C, USN
4. CHAUFFEUR	FSL-8

NOTE: EOD POSITION NO. 2 WILL BE ABOLISHED IN THE SUMMER OF 1977,
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